State of South Caroling Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, Columbia has been home to a thriving Jewish community since the early nineteenth century; and

WHEREAS, since 1905, Beth Shalom has outgrown two synagogue buildings and increased membership from 9 to 340 families, with many second, third, and fourth generation members serving in leadership roles; and

WHEREAS, Beth Shalom Synagogue has become an enduring presence in the community, expanding the physical facilities to promote the ever-growing spiritual needs and outreach efforts of its members; and

WHEREAS, Beth Shalom Synagogue and its congregation are commemorating 100 years of spiritual worship, education, fellowship and faith.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 10, 2005, as

BETH SHALOM SYNAGOGUE 100TH ANNIVERSARY DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to celebrate the

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